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3. Seven voyages during 1953 were made to Stettin, Poland; each voyage was made in ballast, and a full cargo of coal loaded there

4. On the last voyage, about 14 small wooden motor torpedo boats were observed in the basin at Osternothafen, and three "small destroyers" were observed along the quay at Swinemunde, East bank of the Swine river.
5. The fire tower at Swinemunde is manned by Soviets who maintain a watch over traffic in and out of the port. This is in addition to the watch maintained in a small tower near the end of the mole at the entrance from which searchlights are played upon ships transiting these waters at night.

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6. [redacted] an 8,000 ton Soviet freighter was observed in Stettin for discharge at the north part of the East side of Reiherwerder Hafen. Her cargo was believed to be iron ore.
7. Three new merchant vessels of about 6000 GT each were observed fitting out in Steinbruch Hafen. It was believed that approximately three more months would have been required to complete their construction.

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